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Montana Health Care Programs Notice Psychiatric Residential Treatment Facility, Optician, and Optometric Providers

Reimbursement for Eyeglasses for Youth in an In-State Psychiatric Residential Treatment Facility

Effective October 1, 2011, eyeglass services for youth in a psychiatric residential treatment facility (PRTF) must be billed to and reimbursed by the PRTF. To provide youth in an in-state PRTF eyeglasses at the Montana Medicaid rate, Walman Optical, the eyeglass contractor for the Medicaid program, will bill the PRTF the contracted rate for the eyewear provided to the facilities clients on a monthly basis.

All outside ancillary services youth receive while in a PRTF may not be reimbursed separately by the Montana Medicaid program and must be reimbursed by the PRTF. Whenever possible, the outside ancillary service providers will be reimbursed the Medicaid rate.

Optometrists and opticians who routinely work with the in-state PRTFs have agreed to send their eyewear prescriptions to a Walman lab, like they do for Medicaid youth not in a PRTF.

If you are an optometrist or optician who does not routinely provide services to youth in a PRTF, please contact the Montana Medicaid Optometric Program Officer or PRTF Clinical Program Officer for additional information.

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